IEG-57/73
22 February 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Cuban Missile Crisis Exhibit

The following comments by visitors to the Cuban Missile Crisis Exhibit, Corridor D, Headquarters, 9 October 1972 - 16 February 1973, are representative of those deposited in a box provided for the purpose. The ratio of complimentary remarks to derogatory remarks is also representative of the overall comments on the exhibit. The consensus is that the exhibit was very well received and that both veteran and new employees would like to see--and take great pride in-more displays of this kind. The uncomplimentary remarks fall into two general categories: (1) those who prefer "extra-curricular" displays, and (2) those who felt that the Cuban exhibit was displayed for too long a time.

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Please leave exhibit displayed for family visitation day. Outstanding!

Excellent exhibit. Why can't the Agency send a display like this out into the real world? An intelligence triumph such as this should be shared with the taxpayers.

Excellent display. Certainly better than amateur artists and craftsman exhibits. If declassified, this might be good public relations if given to LIFE, or NEWSWEEK. Superb!!

A highly enlightening exhibit. This should be opened to all of the public to see one small part of the government in action.

Excellent. Wish more people could see it.

This is the best exhibit I've seen in the corridor. More like it, please.

This is without a doubt the best exhibit I have ever seen shown here. Good show! I should like to see more of this caliber.

An exceptional display. Would like to see more like it.

Outstanding exhibit.

Thanks, this is very good.

Excellent. If you can do this, why was the 25th anniversary one so absolutely crummy?

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Excellent!!!

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Best display ever in this building.

Excellent: (American University associate)

An excellent display!!!

Very interesting and factual. One of the best displays I have seen in two years in CIA.

Very good.

This really is great.

Best exhibit yet--very effectively written and displayed. Thank you!

Excellent Cuban exhibit. But why don't you put the comment box at the other end of the display?

This is outstanding.

As one of the present OCI analysts on Cuba, I think this is a fantastic presentation. I would strongly recommend that the display be accessible to visitors during the family tours next month.

Suggest this display be opened to Spouse Day visitors.

Fantastic!

An excellent exhibit.

This exhibit is so good: Believe it should be incorporated into a brochure for distribution.

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By far the most interesting exhibit here ever.

This presentation is outstanding. I suggest it remain up for family visitation day so that our families (especially) our younger people) may appreciate the functions of CIA.

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Excellent, enjoyed it very much.

The finest display ever. Makes us all feel proud. Also, very informative--great to see the facts instead of sifting through newspaper garbage.

EXCELLENT! Readable and viewable. Good show!

Very interesting.

This is an excellent exhibit -- and well worth the public relations effect. In fact, why not do the same with other intelligence events of note, and "advertise" a few of our successes?

Very interesting and informative.

Good job. Very informative and well done.

An absolutely magnificent planned display. The photographs, detailed plans, and equipment is more informative than any ever seen at the Agency. Congratulations to all concerned.

Very well done exhibit; photo tables especially interesting, but a fine job was done overall.

Fantastic -- let's have more of these.

A splendid exhibit! Why not show it at the Smithsonian? The public would surely be interested. Or is it not sufficiently declassified for that?

I think this display would be of great interest to the public (if possible). A display at Tyson's Corners would really draw a crowd and put CIA in good light for a change.

Political Note--I wonder if McGovern ever thinks about the Cuban Missile Crisis and where we would be without CIA.

Outstanding display in every aspect.

Having had a minor role in the displayed affair, find it most interesting. Would appreciate seeing further similar displays of our successes.

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Most impressive. An excellent exhibit, from one who knows--a lesson to present statesmen.

It was a very nice EXHIBIT!

#### Great!

A superb exhibit. Can reprints of the text and/or the photos be disseminated in bound form? This is a subject of great and lasting interest to all intelligence officers.

Excellent -- clear and understandable --

Excellent--Best yet!

Excellent Exhibition.

Excellent--place on exhibit outside Agency, Smithsonian for example.

How about something different?!

Change the exhibit hall display. I'm sick of looking at it.

Let's get a new exhibit. This one has been here long enough!

This is an interesting and informative display, but isn't it time for something new--perhaps related, e.g., Bay of Pigs?

Isn't it about time to change the exhibit?

What will be your sequel to the Cuban crisis? More lights?

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Let's get back to the art. Who needs this kind of thing?

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TO NPIC

DATE: 19 December 1972

FROM Fine Arts Commission

SUBJECT: Terminating the Missile Crisis Exhibit

My 14 December note to Executive Director (cc to you on same date) establishing 20 January as a termination date for your exhibit, was "premature." Colby's reply to me says "Hold at least through January -- per DCI." A memorandum from DDS on the same subject says the DCI wants the exhibit continued "at least until February." (The DDS' memorandum also contains some commendatory comments. Therefore here's a copy.)

I'm replying to DDS' memorandum by agreeing that yes, please consult the DCI again the latter part of January, and let me know so that I can let you know. (I assume you're in no rush to get the missile crisis exhibit put away, and the FAC is in no rush to replace it with anything else. My concer STATINTL instead is in not pushing the exhibit to the point of boredom.) STATINTL

19 December 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Terminating the Missile Crisis Exhibit

REFERENCE : DD/S 72-4589

1. I had tentatively established 20 January as the termination date for the Missile Crisis exhibit, based on statement that the DCI is interested in having it hung only until then, and based also on the fact that all scheduled special interests will have been satisfied by that date. The latter includes all family days, a visit from the Foreign Service Senior Seminar on 15 January, and the photographic record of the exhibit that OTR plans to make. However I took the precaution of checking whether the Executive Director has any special interest in continuing beyond the 20 January date, and he replied with a note saying, "Hold at least through January, per DCI." Meanwhile I also had received your memorandum.

2. I would be grateful if you will get the DCI's views in the latter part of January, as you offered, and let me know them. Meanwhile we have extended the exhibition indefinitely.

3. I am keeping NPIC informed, and also in his Intelligence Museum Commission capacity. STATINTL

Acting Chairman
Fine Arts Commission

cc: Director of Logistics Chairman, Intelligence Museum Commission

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13 DEC 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics

Chairman, Fine Arts Commission

Chairman, Intelligence Museum Commission

SUBJECT

: Cuban Missile Crisis Exhibit

- 1. At the Morning Meeting on 13 December the Director expressed the desire that the Cuban Missile Crisis exhibit continue in the 1D corridor at headquarters at least until February 1973. He verified that others at the meeting agreed with this and received positive confirmation of the value of the exhibit in a wide range of liaison relationships. The Legislative Counsel has been particularly interested in showing the exhibit to the broad list of Members of Congress.
- 2. We will need to consult on when this exhibit is to be closed and I would propose to recheck the ultimate date with the Director at a Morning Meeting the latter part of January.
- 3. I would be interested to know if this extended time period requires adjustment of any other plans for the 1D corridor.

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John W. Coffey
Deputy Director
for Support

cc: DD/I D/NPIC

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**Executive Registry** 

TO

: Executive Director-Comptroller

DATE: 14 December 1972

FROM: Acting Chairman, FAC

SUBJECT: Derminating the Mossel Crusis exhibit

As best I can determine all special interests in the Cuban Missile Crisis exhibit will have been satisfied by 20 January: all family days will have come and gone and the viewing by the foreign service senior seminar will have been completed (15 Jan). Moreover, OTR tells me, the 20 January date will give it time to make the photographic record that the DCI wanted.

tells me the DCI wants the exhibit hung until 20 January out does not care if it comes down thereafter. Thus I've tentatively set a 20 January termination date.

This is to ask whether you have any interest in continuing the exhibition beyond 20 January. Otherwise we'll firm up that date.

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I've informed of the tentative 20 January date, so that the Historical Museum Commission can move in to claim the U-2 camera, and arrange for retention of the whole exhibit if TATINTL it's so minded.

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cc:

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AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE MUSEUM
2 August 1972, 1000 Hours
Room 6 F 21

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Status report of progress on:

a. The CIA Anniversary Exhibit - Walter Pforzheimer.

b Cuban Missile Crisis Exhibit

(The Executive Director has approved funds to buy the frames to be used, in the first instance, for the Cuban Missile Crisis exhibit.)

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The Tenth Anniversary of the

# Cuban Missile Crisis

will be highlighted by a display in the Headquarters Building Corridor D Exhibit Hall starting 9 October 1972

The display will include a selection of materials, and equipment used and produced during the crisis period.

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## MINUTES OF MEETING AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE MUSEUM 13 June 1972

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l. <u>Cuban Missile Crisis Exhibit</u>: along with his colleagues, ran through a flip chart book showing the organization and content of a proposed exhibit on the above subject. Their presentation also included a drawing of Corridor 1 A and the number of panels required for the exhibit.

The committee discussed problems of lighting and mode of hanging. The Chairman requested Mr. Pforzheimer to obtain information available from the National Gallery or Archives with regard to appropriate light for the preservation of documents, but with proper illumination.

2. Functional Statement: disbrituted a concept paper which will be looked at at the next meeting along with a functional statement which he and will prepare.